Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Dr. Tom Hawley has served as Dean of the College of Education at Dakota State University since 1997; and,

Whereas, In February 2003, Dr. Hawley assumed the position of Interim Secretary of the South Dakota Department of Education and Cultural Affairs; and,

Whereas, Dr. Hawley guided the department's reorganization process by providing strong leadership and organizing all-staff meetings, which laid the groundwork for working through change and keeping employees informed; and,

Whereas, Dr. Hawley worked diligently to improve working relationships with the Board of Education; and,

Whereas, Dr. Hawley's time and energy devoted to pulling together the No Child Left Behind state plan was truly noteworthy, and because of his dedication, South Dakota became the 31st state to have its accountability plan approved by the U.S. Department of Education; and,

Whereas, Dr. Hawley has repeatedly and publicly shown respect and integrity for the expertise of the Department of Education staff and the work they produce, and staff, in turn, have gained confidence in his genuine attitude; and,

Whereas, Dr. Hawley continued to serve the citizens of South Dakota by being actively involved with the nationwide recruiting of a new Secretary of Education; and,

Whereas, Dr. Hawley will be returning to Dakota State University at the end of July 2003 to resume his duties as Dean of the College of Education:

Now, Therefore, I, M, Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 11, 2003, as

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in South Dakota, and I urge all to join me in thanking Dr. Hawley for his commitment to education.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State